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STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAXES
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AN ACT relating to the state's individual income tax for income tax years beginning in the 1987 calendar year and making it retroactive and providing for it to be effective upon enactment.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 422.4, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 19. The definition of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 in section 422.3, subsection 5, shall be interpreted to include provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-514 which amended the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, unless the context otherwise requires.

NEW SUBSECTION. 20. "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-514.

Sec. 2. Section 422.5, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding after subsection 1 the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. In lieu of subsection 1, a tax is imposed upon every resident and nonresident of the state which tax shall be levied, collected, and paid annually upon and with respect to the entire taxable income as defined in this division at rates as follows:

- a. On all taxable income from zero through one thousand dollars, four-tenths of one percent.
- b. On all taxable income exceeding one thousand dollars but not exceeding two thousand dollars, eight-tenths of one percent.
- c. On all taxable income exceeding two thousand dollars but not exceeding four thousand dollars, two and seven-tenths percent.
- d. On all taxable income exceeding four thousand dollars but not exceeding nine thousand dollars, five percent.
- e. On all taxable income exceeding nine thousand dollars but not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, six and eight-tenths percent.
- f. On all taxable income exceeding fifteen thousand dollars but not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, seven and two-tenths percent.

- g. On all taxable income exceeding twenty thousand dollars but not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, seven and fifty-five hundredths percent.
- h. On all taxable income exceeding thirty thousand dollars but not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, eight and eight-tenths percent.
- i. On all taxable income exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, nine and ninety-eight hundredths percent.
- j. The tax imposed upon the taxable income of a nonresident shall be computed by reducing the amount determined pursuant to paragraphs "a" through "i" by the amounts of nonrefundable credits under this division and by multiplying this resulting amount by a fraction of which the nonresident's net income allocated to Iowa, as determined in section 422.8, subsection 2, is the numerator and the nonresident's total net income computed under section 422.7 is the denominator. This provision also applies to individuals who are residents of Iowa for less than the entire tax year.
- k. There is imposed upon every resident and nonresident of this state, including estates and trusts, the greater of the tax determined in paragraphs "a" through "j" or the state alternative minimum tax equal to seventy-five percent of the maximum state individual income tax rate for the tax year, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one percent, of the state alternative minimum taxable income of the taxpayer as computed under this paragraph.

The state alternative minimum taxable income of a taxpayer is equal to the taxpayer's state taxable income, as computed with the deductions in section 422.9, except for the net capital gain deduction, with the following adjustments:

- (1) Add items of tax preference included in federal alternative minimum taxable income under section 57, except subsections (a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(5), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, make the adjustments included in federal alternative minimum taxable income under section 56, except subsections (a)(4), (b)(1)(C)(iii), and (d), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and add losses as required by section 58 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. In the case of an estate or trust, the items of tax preference, adjustments, and losses shall be apportioned between the estate or trust and the beneficiaries in accordance with rules prescribed by the director.
 - (2) Subtract the applicable exemption amount as follows:
- (a) Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars for a married person who files separately or for an estate or trust.
 - (b) Twenty-six thousand dollars for a single person or an unmarried head of household.
 - (c) Thirty-five thousand dollars for a married couple which files a joint return.
- (d) The exemption amount shall be reduced, but not below zero, by an amount equal to twenty-five percent of the amount by which the alternative minimum taxable income of the taxpayer, computed without regard to the exemption amount in this subparagraph, exceeds the following:
 - (i) Seventy-five thousand dollars in the case of a taxpayer described in subparagraph part (a).
- (ii) One hundred twelve thousand five hundred dollars in the case of a taxpayer described in subparagraph part (b).
- (iii) One hundred fifty thousand dollars in the case of a taxpayer described in subparagraph part (c).
- (3) In the case of a net operating loss computed for a tax year beginning after December 31, 1982 which is carried back or carried forward to the current taxable year, the net operating loss shall be reduced by the amount of the items of tax preference arising in such year which was taken into account in computing the net operating loss in section 422.9, subsection 3. The deduction for a net operating loss for a tax year beginning after December 31, 1986 which is carried back or carried forward to the current taxable year shall not exceed ninety percent of the alternative minimum taxable income determined without regard for the net operating loss deduction.

The state alternative minimum tax of a taxpayer whose net capital gain deduction includes the gain or loss from the forfeiture of an installment real estate contract, the transfer of real or personal property securing a debt to a creditor in cancellation of that debt or from the sale or exchange of property as a result of actual notice of foreclosure where the fair market value of the taxpayer's assets exceeds the taxpayer's liabilities immediately before such forfeiture, transfer, or sale or exchange shall not be greater than such excess, including any asset transferred within one hundred twenty days prior to such forfeiture, transfer, or sale or exchange.

In the case of a resident, including a resident estate or trust, the state's apportioned share of the state alternative minimum tax is one hundred percent of the state alternative minimum tax computed in this subsection. In the case of a nonresident, including a nonresident estate or trust, or an individual, estate or trust that is domiciled in the state for less than the entire tax year, the state's apportioned share of the state alternative minimum tax is the amount of tax computed under this subsection, reduced by the applicable credits in sections 422.10, 422.11, 422.11A, and 422.12 and this result multiplied by a fraction with a numerator of the sum of state net income allocated to Iowa as determined in section 422.8, subsection 2, plus tax preference items, adjustments, and losses under subparagraph (1) attributable to Iowa and with a denominator of the sum of total net income computed under section 422.7 plus all tax preference items, adjustments, and losses under subparagraph (1). In computing this fraction, those items excludable under subparagraph (1) shall not be used in computing the tax preference items. Married taxpayers electing to file separate returns or separately on a combined return must allocate the minimum tax computed in this subsection in the proportion that each spouse's respective preference items, adjustments, and losses under subparagraph (1) bear to the combined preference items, adjustments, and losses under subparagraph (1) of both spouses.

Sec. 3. Section 422.5, subsection 2, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. However, for married persons filing jointly or filing separately on a combined return, unmarried heads of household, and surviving spouses, references in this subsection and subsections 6 and 10 to five thousand dollars shall be interpreted to mean seven thousand five hundred dollars. In addition, if the married persons filing jointly or filing separately on a combined return, unmarried head of household, or surviving spouse's net income exceeds seven thousand five hundred dollars the regular tax imposed under this division shall be the lesser of the maximum state individual income tax rate times the portion of the net income in excess of seven thousand five hundred dollars or the regular tax liability computed without regard to this sentence. Taxpayers electing to file separately shall compute the alternate tax described in this paragraph using the total net income of the husband and wife.

Sec. 4. Section 422.7, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding after subsection 16 the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 16A. Notwithstanding any other provision, add the amounts deducted and subtract the amounts included as income as a result of the treatment provided sale-leaseback agreements under section 168(f)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 for property placed in service by the transferee prior to January 1, 1986 to the extent that the amounts deducted and the amounts included in income are not otherwise deductible or included in income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended to and including December 31, 1985. Entitlement to depreciation on any property included in a sale-leaseback agreement which is placed in service by the transferee prior to January 1, 1986 shall be determined under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended to and including December 31, 1985, excluding section 168(f)(8) in making the determination.

- Sec. 5. Section 422.7, subsections 23 and 24, Code Supplement 1987, are amended to read as follows:
- 23. Add the amount of intangible drilling and development costs optionally deducted in the year paid or incurred as allowed under section 263(e) described in section 57(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. This amount may be recovered through cost depletion or depreciation, as appropriate under rules prescribed by the director.

- 24. Add the percentage depletion amount determined with respect to an oil, gas, or geothermal well using methods as described in section 613 57(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 that is in excess of the cost depletion amount determined under section 611 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.
- Sec. 6. Section 422.7, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 27. Add interest and dividends from regulated investment companies exempt from federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and subtract the loss on the sale or exchange of a share of a regulated investment company held for six months or less to the extent the loss was disallowed under section 852(b)(4)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Sec. 7. Section 422.9, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1987, is amended to read as follows:

An optional standard deduction of fifteen percent of the net income after deduction of federal income tax, not to exceed one thousand two hundred dollars for a married person who files separately, one thousand two hundred dollars for a single person or three thousand dollars for a husband and wife who file a joint return, a surviving spouse as defined in section 2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or an unmarried head of household as defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or an optional standard deduction after deduction of federal income tax equal to one thousand two hundred thirty dollars for a married person who files separately or a single person or equal to three thousand thirty dollars for a husband and wife who file a joint return, a surviving spouse, or an unmarried head of household. The optional standard deduction shall not exceed the amount remaining after deduction of the federal income tax.

Sec. 8. Section 422.9, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code Supplement 1987, is amended to read as follows:

The total of contributions, interest, taxes, medical expense, nonbusiness losses and miscellaneous expenses; and moving expenses; deductible for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, with the following adjustments:

Sec. 9. Section 422.9, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The taxpayer may recompute the taxpayer's income tax liability for the tax year by subtracting from the taxpayer's taxable income, as computed without regard to this subsection, sixty percent of the net capital gain as computed in section 1202 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 in effect for tax years beginning in the 1986 calendar year. For purposes of determining the amount to be subtracted, the net capital gain shall not exceed seventeen thousand five hundred dollars. Married taxpayers who elect separate filing on a combined return for state tax purposes are treated as one taxpayer and the amount of net capital gain to be used to determine the total amount to be subtracted by them shall not exceed seventeen thousand five hundred dollars in the aggregate. Married taxpayers who file jointly or separately on a combined return shall prorate the seventeen thousand five hundred dollar limitation between them based on the ratio of each spouse's net capital gain to the total net capital gain of both spouses. In the case of married taxpayers filing separate returns, the amount of net capital gain to be used to determine the amount to be subtracted by each spouse shall not exceed eight thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars. To the extent that the adjusted gross income reflects capital gain treatment for sales of dairy cattle made between January 1, 1987, and September 1, 1987, under the federal milk production termination program, the capital gains from such sales shall not be used in computing net capital gain for purposes of this subsection. Any income or loss resulting from the forfeiture, transfer, or sale or exchange described in section 422.7, subsection 25, shall not be used in computing net capital gain for purposes of this subsection.

In order for the taxpayer to claim this capital gain deduction, the taxpayer must completely fill out the return, determine the taxpayer's income tax liability without this deduction, and pay the amount of tax that is owed. The taxpayer shall recompute the taxpayer's income tax liability, with this deduction, on a special return. This special return shall be filed with the regular return and constitutes a claim for refund of the difference between the amount of tax the taxpayer paid as determined without the net capital gain deduction and the amount of tax determined with the net capital gain deduction. In recomputing the taxpayer's alternative minimum tax liability, the amount of net capital gain deduction taken shall be treated as a tax preference item for purposes of the recomputation only.

The provisions of this subsection shall not affect the amount of the taxpayer's checkoff to the Iowa election campaign fund under section 56.18, the checkoff for the fish and game protection fund in section 107.16, the credits from tax provided in sections 422.10, 422.11A, and 422.12 and the allocation of these credits between spouses if the taxpayers filed separate returns or separately on combined returns, or the amount of the taxpayer's school district income surtax liability under section 442.15 as these items were properly computed or claimed on taxpayers' returns.

For the tax year the total amount of refund claims that shall be paid shall not exceed eight million dollars. If the total amount of the claims for refund does exceed that amount, each claim for refund shall be paid on a pro rata basis so that the total amount paid for the tax year does not exceed eight million dollars. In the case where refund claims are not paid in full, the amount of the refund to which the taxpayer is entitled under this subsection is the pro rata amount that was paid and the taxpayer is not entitled to a refund for the unpaid portion and is not entitled to carry that amount forward or backward to another tax year. Taxpayers shall not use refunds as estimated payments for the succeeding tax year. Taxpayers whose tax years begin on January 1 must file their refund claims by October 31, 1988, to be eligible for refunds. Taxpayers whose tax years begin on a date in 1987 other than January 1 must file their refund claims by the end of the sixth month following the end of their tax years. The department shall determine on February 1, 1989, if the total amount of claims for refund exceeds eight million dollars for the tax year. Notwithstanding any other provision, interest shall not be due on any refund claims that are paid by February 28, 1989. If the claim is not payable on February 28, 1989 because the taxpayer is a fiscal year filer, then the amount of the claim allowed shall be in the same ratio as refund claims available on February 1, 1989. These claims shall be funded by moneys appropriated for payment of refunds of individual income tax.

Sec. 10. Section 422.10, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1987, is amended to read as follows: The taxes imposed under this division shall be reduced by a state tax credit for increasing research activities in this state. For individuals, the credit shall equal six and one-half percent of the state's apportioned share of the qualifying expenditures for increasing research activities. The state's apportioned share of the qualifying expenditures for increasing research activities is a percent equal to the ratio of qualified research expenditures in this state to total qualified research expenditures. For purposes of this section, an individual may claim a research credit for qualifying research expenditures incurred by a partnership, subchapter S corporation, and estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of a partnership, subchapter S corporation, or estate or trust. For purposes of this section, "qualifying expenditures for increasing research activities" means the qualifying expenditures as defined for the federal credit for increasing research activities which would be allowable under section 30 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, in effect on January 1, 1985 or which would be allowable under section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Sec. 11. Section 422.21, Code Supplement 1987, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraphs:

<u>NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH</u>. The department shall provide on income forms or in the instruction booklets in a manner that will be noticeable to the taxpayers a statement to the extent that even though the taxpayer may not have any federal or state income tax liability that the taxpayer may be eligible for the federal earned income tax credit. The statement shall also contain notice of where the taxpayer may check on the taxpayer's eligibility for this credit.

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. The department shall prepare and make available a special return for filing a tax refund claim resulting from the net capital gain deduction authorized in section 422.9, subsection 6. The special returns shall be designed so that the department will be able to compile data that identifies the source and type of the capital gains and losses and the geographical location of the transactions involving the capital gains and losses. By January 15, 1989, the department shall make available to the general assembly the data compiled from the special returns filed during the previous calendar year.

Sec. 12. Section 422.73, Code 1987, is amended by adding the following new subsections: NEW SUBSECTION. Notwithstanding subsection 2, a claim for credit or refund of the income tax paid for a tax year beginning in the 1983 calendar year is considered timely if the claim is filed with the department on or before April 30, 1988, if the taxpayer's federal income tax was forgiven under section 692 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 because the taxpayer died, or was missing in action and determined dead, while serving in a combat zone. To the extent the federal income tax was forgiven under section 692 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 for the tax year, the Iowa income tax is also forgiven.

NEW SUBSECTION. Notwithstanding subsection 2, a claim for credit or refund of the state alternative minimum tax paid for any tax year beginning on or after January 1, 1982 and before January 1, 1984 is considered timely if the claim is filed with the department on or before April 30, 1988, if the taxpayer's capital gains preference items for purposes of the federal individual alternative minimum tax was reduced as a result of section 13208 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 as amended by section 1896 of the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

- Sec. 13. Section 422.7, subsections 10, 12, 14, 15, 22, and 26, section 422.9, subsection 2, paragraph "e", and section 422.21, unnumbered paragraph 4, do not apply.
- Sec. 14. References in section 422.8 and in any other provision of law to section 422.5, subsection 1 shall be interpreted to mean the corresponding provision of section 422.5, subsection 1A.
- Sec. 15. No addition to the tax shall be made under section 422.16, subsection 11, paragraph "d" or section 422.88, relating to the underpayment of estimated tax, for any tax year beginning before January 1, 1988 with respect to any underpayment, to the extent such underpayment was created or increased by any provision of the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 or this Act.
- Sec. 16. Sections 1 through 10, 13, and 14 of this Act are retroactive to January 1, 1987 for tax years beginning in the 1987 calendar year only.
 - Sec. 17. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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